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1. The airfield was northwest of Zelikza (45°17'E/53°13'N), Penza Oblast, about 4½ km north of the Penza (45°0'E/53°12'N)-Syzran (48°28'E/53°10'N) highway, and just north of Stepanovka. There was a 1,500-meter runway covered with concrete slabs.
2. Three wooden officers' cantonment buildings, each 5x6x15 meters, two cantonment buildings for pilots, two ration depots and one administration building, a large and a small radio installation and an underground fuel dump were at the field.

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3. The field was occupied by 70 to 80 single-engine fighters with retractable landing gear.
4. The airfield was north of Zelikza, about 5 km north of the new road and about 1 km northeast of Chemodanovo (45°14'E/53°15'N). Small individual buildings were seen.
5. The number of aircraft stationed at the field varied between 2 and 30 twin-engine low-wing monoplanes with radial engines and single rudder assembly. There was individual and formation flying with up to 30 planes.
6. The large Zelikza airfield, north of a new road, was an old military field enlarged by cleared woodland. A new 1,000-meter runway was constructed.
7. The field was not occupied while construction work was being done.
8. A large airfield was about 11 km north of Zelikza and 5 km north of the new road. It was twice as large as the Luebeck-Blankensee airfield. There were concrete runways, large hangars and earth bunkers as quarters.
9. The field was occupied by 80 to 100 single-engine fighters, similar to the Me-109. There was heavy flying in elements of two and squadrons.

1 Annex: Zelikza Airfield

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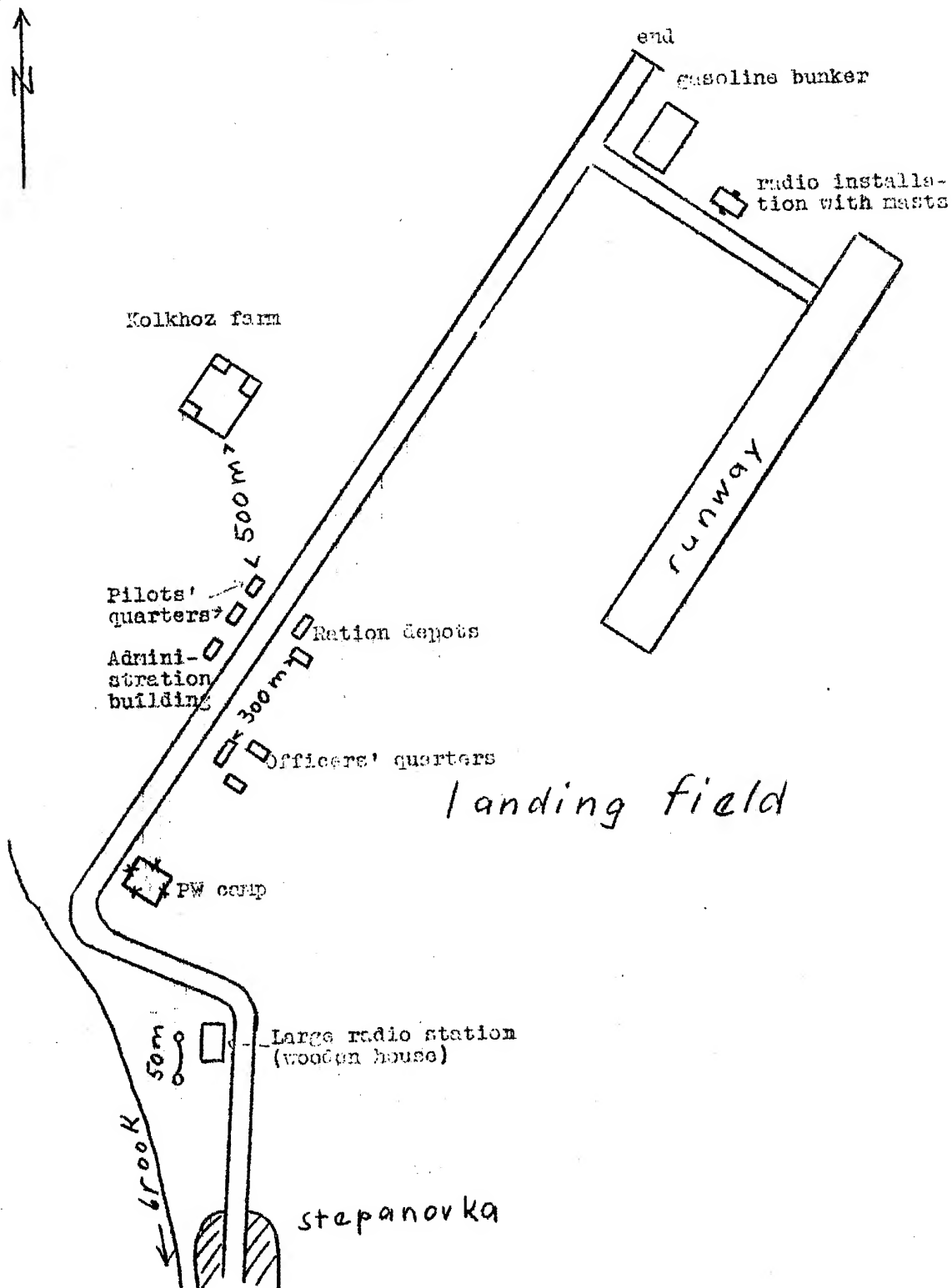
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